

GOOD TIMES AHEAD, SPROUL PREDICTS

"Keep Your Heads and Save." Governor Tells Stetson Workers at Christmas Party

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"Keep your heads. Keep your feet square on the ground. Save. Make good investments and get ready for the period of great industrial expansion which I am sure is coming to the United States and all of us."

This was the message of Governor Sproul this morning to the 5000 employees and officers of the John B. Stetson Co. at their annual Christmas celebration in the Stetson auditorium, Fifth street and Montgomery avenue.

At the same time turkeys and candy, hats and jewelry, \$225,000 in houses, shares of stock and life insurance policies were among the gifts that were distributed to those present at the entertainment.

Governor Sproul began his address by eulogizing the state of Pennsylvania and pointed out that by the last census there were 8,400,018 residents in the state.

"Nowadays every one is talking about making changes," he said. "We must all keep going forward and be prepared to make those changes as they become necessary, but we must not throw away the old things and institutions that have proved to be good."

"One of the greatest steps we have made forward recently is that of giving the right to vote to the women of this great country."

"I want to urge every employee of this great company to establish a new record of thrift-saving accounts, in other words, if it were not for the money that our people have been saving up in the banks we would not be able to finance the great expansion in foreign trade that has become possible for this country."

He said that the people of this country had made many sacrifices during the war, but that in reality our resources had not been touched in comparison to the drain that was made on the resources of the allied countries during the war.

"We must take advantage of this opportunity that is offered to us in this way," he added, "by straining every effort to extend our world trade and industrial development because that will mean more money for each of us and good employment for all of our workers."

Howell Cummings, the president of the John B. Stetson Co., spoke of the fact that the products of the company were now generally in use among the royalty of various European countries.

He said that recently the king of Siam had sent in an order for special hats and had even sent a special court officer to this city to supervise the making of the hats.

All the married men in the store were given turkeys and the unmarried men hats. In all, 2524 turkeys were distributed, 444 hats, 1984 pairs of gloves, 1400 pounds of candy, thirty-six watches and chains, \$225,000 in cash for houses, \$11,000 in cash for foremen and apprentices, 425 shares of stock in the John B. Stetson Building and Loan Association, 500 shares of the company's common stock and five life insurance policies worth \$5050 each.

The five employees who were awarded the life insurance policies this year were William H. Schneider, assistant secretary; W. Duxton Shibley, assistant secretary; E. Terry Cummings, assistant superintendent; James H. Black, chief electrician; and Harvey Price, foreman of the forming department. These policies are given to the men who have proved themselves most efficient during the year.

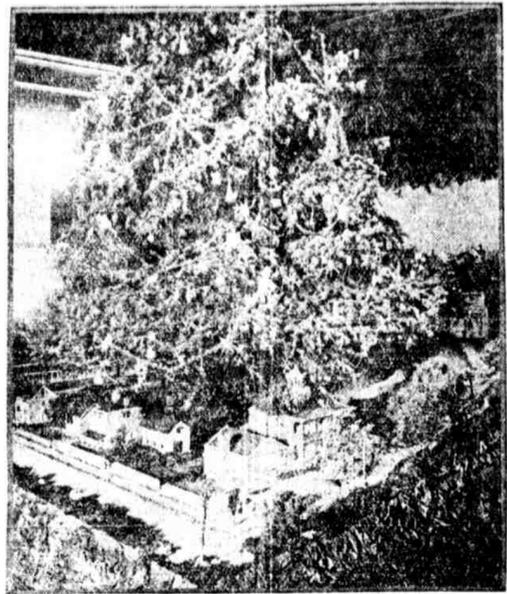
Christmas Eve Party for Theopians. The annual Christmas Eve party for members of the Theopian church, held at local Y. M. C. A. building, 1215 North 52d street, at 8 o'clock, was a most enjoyable affair. The work taken from the members from the domestic mission of the church. To furnish the members with the Yuletide festival, the church members were given a special Christmas Eve party, which was held with a tree and in the presence of the members of the church. The party was held in the city and invited to participate.

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"VALLEY FORGE" IS CHILDREN'S TREAT



The Manufacturers' Club tomorrow will act as host to more than 2000 poor children at the clubhouse, Broad and Walnut streets. A huge Christmas tree, gifts and entertainment will be features of the party. A novelty will be a miniature reproduction of Valley Forge, complete in all details.

BOY, AUTO VICTIM, BRAVELY FACES XMAS IN HOSPITAL

"Could Be Worse," He Says Despite Unexpected Trip to White Ward—But He Has Company and All Will Enjoy Christmas Tree

A fellow is sort of out of luck to be lying in bed with an axe in his chest on the day before Christmas, but Pasquale Regone, little eleven-year-old boy who was run over yesterday by an automobile on his way home from school and taken to the Pennsylvania Hospital, looked philosophically about his fate and said: "I could be worse."

"I got company," he said. And it was true. The spotless sunshiny room in the emergency ward was occupied by three little boys, almost the same age. Next to Pasquale was James Lennon, 2085 Bancroft street, who is recovering from appendicitis. Then there is Ruca Basco, who has been in America exactly three days and spent all three of them in the hospital. His eye be-

came infected on board the steamship and he was willing to explain any of the four different languages at his command just how it happened. But none of the languages was "United States."

"My mother's coming again today," said Pasquale interrupting Ruca in his linguistic efforts. "I don't mind it so much, but my chest hurts and my arms hurt, too, something awful. My mother maybe she'll bring me something for Christmas."

The three little boys showed great interest in a big gaily decorated Christmas tree that stood at the end of a corridor and which they could see through a glass partition. All too sick to take part in the Christmas entertainment that will be held for the children of the hospital tomorrow, but they will have their own little party. Christmas visiting hours at the hospital tomorrow are from 1:30 to 2:30.

Pasquale was reported to be a very sick little boy this morning. He is suffering from a punctured lung and injuries about his head and body. He lives at 707 South Schell street, and was run over yesterday by William C. Simon, 2719 Brown street, who was arraigned before Magistrate Harrigan this morning.

Children Need Good Books. Care will delight the little folks on Christmas Day and long afterwards. Books open until 9 P. M. so you can come in and see them.

The Library Shop. 15 S. 13th St., Philadelphia

Christmas Activities Planned for Tomorrow. Manufacturers' Club, host to 2500 boys and girls, 9 a. m. to 12 m. Galloway Mission, 821 Vine street, 10 to 12 o'clock. Hooping Hoop Rescue Mission, 721 North Second street, distributed 300 Christmas baskets between noon and 2 p. m. and gave gifts to poor children.

Seaman's Church Institute, Second and Walnut streets, gives dinners to seamen, 1 p. m. to 2 p. m. Christmas celebrations with dinners and distribution of gifts in all hospitals, foster homes and institutions throughout the city.

Members of American Legion posts visit wounded soldiers in hospital. Christmas celebration at Philadelphia Navy Yard all day. Officers and crew of United States transport Henderson, treat 250 orphans at navy yard, 2 p. m. Salvation Army distributes toys to 1000 poor children in Memorial Auditorium, Broad street and Fairmount avenue 3 p. m. Salvation Army distributes candy and cards to 1500 prisoners in Eastern Penitentiary and gives dinners to their families.

Christmas celebrations in Montgomery Prison, House of Correction and county prison at Holmesburg. Free distribution of presents to animals at American Anti-Vivisection Society, 22 South Eighteenth street, all day today.

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TURKEY, ETC., READY FOR ARMY OF POOR

Thousands of Christmas Dinners Distributed—Sick Get Large Share

BASKETS AT CITY HALL

Charitable organizations and individuals have seen to it that the Christmas dinner is more than a dream in the homes of Philadelphia's poor. Even the unfortunate chap whose home is in his memories will have a Christmas dinner.

One of the largest helping hands in the business of seeing that Christmas dinner is not a tragedy for many is extended by the Salvation Army.

Christmas dinners for 3000 persons were distributed at the Salvation Army memorial auditorium, Broad street and Fairmount avenue, this afternoon. Lieutenant Colonel Arthur T. Brewer and Major William S. Barrett directed the festivities.

Nearly 600 basket dinners were given to mothers and children representing families which can least afford to purchase a dinner for six persons. It included a chicken, condensed milk, can of corn and peas, cranberries, a pound of sugar, loaf of bread, turnips, potatoes, onions, crackers, a half-pound of coffee, half pound of butter, three apples and two oranges.

One thousand toys will be given to children at the Salvation Army's Christmas entertainment at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. The toys will be heaped around two handily trimmed Christmas trees. Major Oscar Haag will be Santa Claus and distribute the gifts.

One hundred boys and girls will also be given shoes, and every child will receive nuts and an orange. Fullerton L. Waldo will tell stories to the children, and there will be a program of music, drills, recitations and special exercises.

The Salvationists will give candy and Christmas cards to every one of the 1500 men in the Eastern Penitentiary.

Calendars will be given 1000 prisoners enrolled in the Brighter Day League. The Volunteers of America distributed 500 baskets containing Christmas dinners for 2500 persons today. Colonel Christopher C. Herron supervised distribution at the Volunteers' mission, 208 North Ninth street.

Special baskets were prepared for widows and the sick. These baskets contained a chicken and other essentials for a good dinner. The other baskets included ten pounds of beef, potatoes, turnips, cabbages, onions, apples, a package of oats, coffee, bread, milk and candy.

The Volunteers of America will hold its Christmas tree celebration on New Year's Day. Toys and clothing will be given to several hundred needy children in charge of this celebration.

The twenty-first annual free basket dinners distribution was made to 800 families today by the Helping Hand Rescue Mission, 721 North Second street. Toys and clothing also were distributed.

John John M. Patterson, disguised as Santa Claus, distributed 2000 baskets of turkeys and other food on behalf of the Prison Welfare Association today. The baskets were given at City Hall, as usual. Judge Patterson also will distribute gifts to the poor at the entertainment in City Hall on Christmas.

Elly baskets, containing dinners, were given out today at the branch office of the Salvation Army, 2535 Germantown avenue.

There will be a Christmas dinner with "chicken and everything" at the Gallop Mission, 821 Vine street. Roast beef and ham also will be served. The dinner will begin at 10:30 o'clock and approximately 200 men will have their Christmas meal there. Short services will be held at the mission at 10 o'clock, preceding the dinner. George W. Wilkins is superintendent of the mission. He announces a special dinner for 170 children on New Year's Day.

COMMUNITY PARTIES PLANNED. Two hundred women and children will be the guests of a group of West Philadelphia women at a Christmas dinner in the West Philadelphia Republican Club. Patrons of the Community House, Haines and Morton streets, who come from the Italian colony in that part of Germantown, will be provided with a merry Christmas. A tree has been donated, as well as toys, books, games and candies, by charitably inclined residents of Germantown.

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